

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Raymond H. Bryden

Title: SILICON CARBIDE CERAMIC COMPONENTS HAVING OXIDE  
LAYER

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Commissioner for Patents

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**AMENDMENT IN SUPPORT OF RCE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 6, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: